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3 Nights Only, Beginning Thursday, Apr. 15—Saturday Matinee,
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SALE OF SEATS
FOR ALL EVENTS, TO SUBSCRIBERS ONLY.

Monday and Tuesday
April 12 and 13.
BEGINNING AT 9 A.M. AT
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113 SOUTH SPRING STREET.

The general sale to the public will begin on Wednesday, April 14, and continue
during the same hours as above.
The price of seats will be as follows:
Tuesday evening, April 13, 8 p.m.—Indian Dances at Tribunes. Admission 25c;
choicest seats 50c extra. Thursday, April 20, 9 p.m.—Panic Drama Ball. First appear-
ance of the Queen of Cabaret. Chinese in gorgeous Oriental costumes and their
Sacred Dragon of 800 feet, operated by 100 Chinese. The Companies belonging to the
National Guard located in Southern California. Uniformed Societies, 8:55, 9 p.m.,
Grand Concert: Vocal and Instrumental Music, by well-known artists.
THURSDAY, April 22, 8 p.m.—Athletic Sports: Indian and Spanish native sports,
Tournaments, Bicycle Races, etc. 8 p.m.—Illuminated Pageant, descriptive of the
"Legends of Flowers." Magnificent Spectacular Procession of Twenty Artistic Floats,
with Live Figures.
FRIDAY, April 23, 8 p.m.—Floral Parade. The most attractive, elaborate and artistic
floral parade, possible only in Southern California. Equipages, tally-hos, carriages,
borses, gaily bedecked with every variety of floral and most remarkable and
noted event of La Fiesta. 9 p.m.—Water Carnival and Fire Works at the public park.
SATURDAY, April 24, 10 a.m.—Children's Day. Patriotic exercises, flag-raising,
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Programme.

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Panic Drama Ball. First appearance of Her Majesty, La Reina de La Fiesta, surrounded
by her retinue of Maids of Honor, Prime Minister and Pages.
WEDNESDAY, April 14, 8 p.m.—Salute at Sunrise. Music in the Parks. 9 p.m.—Grand Street
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April 14, 15, 16, 17. Admission 50c; Children 10c.

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BOATS, CAPES AND TIPS AT PRODUCERS' PRICES.
Appropriate California Scenery and Presents.
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PIANO PURCHASERS—

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Bradbury Building.

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CALIFORNIA LIMITED, SANTA FE ROUTE.
Particular Attention is called to the fact that this train will be run
FRIDAY morning instead of Tuesday and out of Los Angeles on every TUESDAY and
of departure is EIGHT O'CLOCK in the morning. Breakfast served in the Dining
Car after leaving Los Angeles. Reservations that have been made in the Saturday
morning train will be held for the preceding Friday morning train unless advised to
the contrary.

NOTE THE REMARKABLE TIME:
Leave Los Angeles..... 8:00 a.m. Tuesday and Friday.
Arrive Albuquerque..... 8:55 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday.
Arrive Denver..... 11:15 a.m. Thursday and Sunday.
Arrive Kansas City..... 6:55 p.m. Thursday and Sunday.
Arrive St. Louis..... 7:00 a.m. Friday and Monday.
Arrive Chicago..... 9:45 a.m. Friday and Monday.
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Children's pictures in combination panels and characteristic attitudes.
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FIESTA COSTUMES AND MASKS
Just received the largest importation of costumes from Europe. Costumes, Wigs,
Masks, especially for the coming Carnival, on view Wednesday, April 14,
and following day. The public cordially invited.
MRS. D. S. CORONA DE WELLS, 300 North Main Street.

FLED FOR LIFE

**East and North Omaha
are Flooded.**

**Residents Rush for Dry Ground
Leaving Their All.**

**Every Effort Being Made to Stay
the Big Muddy.**

**Houses and Fields Submerged from
One to Five Feet—Mississippi
Rising South of Vicksburg—The
Relief Steamer.**

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.]
OMAHA (Neb.), April 13.—Pilling and
boards and bags of sand, old hay, and
stones are being fed to the hungry maw
of the Big Muddy at Omaha in order
to restrain the manifest intention of
the erratic stream to resume the
channel abandoned twenty years ago.
At nightfall it looked as if the effort
might succeed. But all hope is hedged
about with proviso that the river
does not rise any higher, that a north
wind does not blow, and, most un-
certain of all, that the break in the
bank above Florence Lake is not so bad
as the overflow of water indicates.

East Omaha and North Omaha are
flooded by the waters that are rushing
from the overfull Missouri River. The
residents flee for their lives, leaving
their possessions behind. The houses
are standing in the flood, sub-
merged in water one to five feet deep.
Fields of grain and fences disappear
beneath the surface of the water, and
the trees no longer show any trunks.

The flood is pouring in upon the
lowlands of the East Omaha bottoms
in a stream that is estimated to be
two thousand feet in width. It is
sweeping southeast and pours into
Florence Lake. The water in the lake
has broken over the levee that was
built to separate it from Cut-off Lake,
and it is now rushing with ever-in-
creasing volume into the latter. It
is sweeping over plowed and planted
fields; it is driving residents from their
homes in North Omaha; it is tearing
up fences and threatening the houses
that stand from three to four feet
deep in the water.

It is pouring into Cut-off Lake just
north of the long bridge which leads
to Courtland Beach. In the last twelve
hours, Cut-off Lake has risen almost
two feet. If this rate continues it is
anticipated that by morning the lake
will overflow its southern bank. If
this should occur, and should the rise
be still maintained, the entire south-
ern portion of East Omaha would be
threatened with a most disastrous flood,
as there is no elevation of the land to
stem the outpouring.

The beginning of the flood occurred
several days ago. For weeks past the
river has been rising gradually. It was
thought that there was no danger. The
levees would hold, it was thought.
They did hold until two days ago. Then
the mighty volume could not be
restrained longer. Two days ago the
water crept over the top of the bank
at the bend of the river just above
Florence. It came slowly at first, but
it found easier passage as time went
by. Early yesterday afternoon the
force became resistless. A great hole
was dug in the shore. A fisherman's
hut that appeared to block the way
was torn out bodily and swallowed up
by the river. The water poured out
the bottom to the south.

The speed of the flood was rapid.
At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon North
Omaha was surrounded on all sides
with dry land. At 5 o'clock many of
the people in the houses on the low-
lands were fleeing from their homes.
This morning this portion was cov-
ered with water from one to five feet
deep. At present the worst of the
flooded district is located just north of
North Omaha. At Sherman avenue a
broad stream has shot directly to the
south. This stream just skirts the
east end of the little settlement known
as North Omaha. It began to creep
along the bottoms about 4 o'clock yester-
day morning. It first drove out
of their homes and from their prem-
ises three milkmen, Erickson, Larson
and Milhouse. It swept a quarter of
a mile further south and there took
within its bosom a dozen cottages.
The Rileys, the Petersons, the John-
sons, the Schaffers, the Knapps, the
Clarks and several other families de-
camped about 5 o'clock. All these are
residents of the eastern part of North
Omaha.

The stream then went on further
south a distance of a mile and struck
another little settlement. The resi-
dents here at 6 o'clock began to move.
Among those who had to vacate were
the families of Thomas Plummer, Mil-
ton Bilby, George Skinner, Frank Bur-
ton, Charles Frazer, Erick Peterson,
Charles Butcher, Enquist and Murphy.
All these people were forced to abandon
their houses in haste, some of them
with only their night clothes on. Many
narrow escapes from drowning are re-
counted, but so far as is known, no
lives were lost. Efforts to recover
personal effects from the engulfed
houses have been of little avail. Forces
of workmen were hurried out to pro-
tect the houses in the flooded district,
and have succeeded in restraining the
spread of the water to the west, con-
fining it to the channel cut from the river
to Florence Lake, and from Florence
Lake to Cut-off Lake. This has saved
most of North Omaha from destruction.
Cut-off Lake at nightfall was filling
up rapidly, but could then accommodate
four or five feet more of water. It is
held back by a strong double dyke
across its lower end, and from there on

to the river the old bed is crossed by
paved streets, street-car tracks, railroad
car tracks, etc., all of which present
embankments from eight to fourteen
feet in height, which must be washed
out before the Missouri can resume its
abandoned bed. There is much uncer-
tainty, owing to the extensive property
interests involved. Should the river
complete the cut-off it has threatened,
East Omaha, with extensive factories,
including the great Carter White Lead
works, will be moved into Iowa, and the
\$3,000,000 bridge of the East Omaha Ter-
minal Company will be left across a
slough, while the thousands of dollars
expended by the government in protect-
ing the banks of the river along the
great bend will be wasted.

Down in town the situation is less
serious than it was last night. The
melting of the Omaha and Grant com-
panies is still saving water. The Thom-
son-Houston Electric Lighting plant
and the Willow Springs distillery can
stand a rise of another foot, and the
railroad companies feel that their
tracks are safe for the time. All are
watching, though, and taking every
precaution to protect their property.
The weather has cleared over, and
the prospects are favorable for a ces-
sation of the rains.

CHANGING ITS CHANNEL.

East Omaha is Being Moved into
Iowa by the Flood.
OMAHA (Neb.), April 13.—The Mis-
souri River is changing its channel
past Omaha, and in doing so, threaten-
ing to destroy property to the value of
several millions of dollars. Last night
the river broke through the banks
about a mile above where it left the
old channel, twenty years ago, and to-
day it is running in two broad streams
across what was yesterday fertile
market gardens. These streams ran
into Florence Lake, a relic of a former
cut-off.

From Florence Lake the water is
pouring into Cut-off Lake, and now it
seems only a question of a few hours
until East Omaha is moved into Iowa,
and all property in the line of the
floods is swept away.

THE MISSISSIPPI'S WORK.

Swift Currents Throwing Water
Over Vicksburg Levees.
[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.]
MEMPHIS (Tenn.), April 13.—The
river continues to rise south of Vicks-
burg, and the swift current is throwing
the water all over the levees with enor-
mous force. A telegram from Tallah-
assee, Fla., tonight reported that the
levee at Davis Island, Warren
county, Miss., had broken, but the re-
port was premature. The water is
washing over the levee at that point,
and a break may occur at any hour.
The refugees are flocking to the levee
with their most valuable effects and stock.
Several weak spots have developed in
the southern levee, and the people in
that section are making heroic strug-
gles to save their property. Tonight
the back water in the flooded Missis-
sippi delta is about stationary. The
river at Memphis continues to fall
slowly.

At Helena the river is declining at
the rate of two-tenths of a foot daily.
The refugees are flocking to the levee
by every boat. Three officers Lieuts.
A. S. Rowan and McC. Crowley of the
United States army, and Capt. Graham
of the navy, have arrived at Helena on
the steamer Itasca. A conference between
the officers and the local Relief Com-
mittee was held, so Lieut. Rowan may
be secured to make the levee at the
mouth of the river. At the meeting it
was estimated that 23,000 people inhab-
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lowlands. The remainder lived in the
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Of fine Furniture, etc., of cottage, 2122 Bonifacio Ave., on Friday, April 16, at 10 a.m.; consisting of handsome upholstered parlor furniture, wicker rockers, 8 beautiful large oil paintings, by Hill; carved bedroom set, handsome hall hat tree, Brussels carpets, extension table and dining chairs, fine range, crockery, glassware, kitchen furniture, etc.

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Of very desirable furniture of cottage No. 622 West Fifteenth street, on Thursday, April 15, at 10 a.m., consisting of 1 fine square Schumacher piano, 1 initial, 2 chest tables, parlor chairs, embroidered bed screens, desk, large mirror, folding beds, rug, crockery, glassware, etc. Children's, kitchen furniture, etc.

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STRANGE CASE OF MRS. AUSTIN AND HER LITTLE BOY.

She Fled with Him from Minnesota to California to Retain Custody of the Child.

HER EX-HUSBAND WANTS HIM.

THE LAD ARRESTED IN PASADENA BY A DEPUTY SHERIFF.

Mother and Son Brought to Los Angeles Where a Fight for His Possession Will be Made in the Courts.

Mrs. William Austin and her six-year-old boy, Paul Raymond Mohler, are in room 33 at the St. Elmo Hotel, the child being in the custody of Sheriff John Burr. Mrs. Austin was allowed to keep the little fellow with her at the St. Elmo Hotel. She said last night: "One day in Pasadena last night, on a telegram from Minneapolis, Minn., which charged Mrs. Austin with illegally holding her own child."

Mrs. Austin is a slight, good-looking brunette, of medium height, and is about 25 years of age. The story of her life, and more especially of the trouble she has experienced over the custody of her only child, she tells as follows:

Mrs. Austin is the daughter of Rev. B. E. Sherwin, a Methodist minister who lives in the Disraeli, a town in Minnesota, about sixty-five miles from Minneapolis. Nearly eight years ago, when she was a schoolgirl of 17, she married Edwin R. Mohler, an engineer. Mohler is now a policeman in Minneapolis. Her life with him was never a happy one, and three years ago she procured a divorce from him, one of his cousins furnishing the evidence for her on which she obtained the decree. She was given the custody of her only child, the boy who is with her at the present time.

One year after Mrs. Austin obtained the divorce from Mohler, she tried to secure the custody of the child. In this attempt he was unsuccessful, and the court ruled that she should still keep her boy. Mohler was not satisfied with that arrangement, however, and made another attempt to gain the custody of his son. One year ago last December the court today gave the custody of the child to the third time, this time before Superior Judge Belden in Minneapolis, who decided the case in February of last year.

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SCATTERED THE BONDS.

SPALDING SOLD SOME OF THE SECURITIES OUTRIGHT.

His Private Secretary Draws Funds from the Bank to Deposit to His Credit Elsewhere—Offer to Make Good the Loss.

CHICAGO, April 13.—The disappearance of \$400,000 of endowment bonds of the University of Illinois caused a general scattering of securities held by the different banking institutions in this city, and it has been discovered that the First National Bank has in the vaults nearly \$200,000 of bonds. Some of these bonds were sold outright to the bank, others were held as collateral for loans made to Spaulding.

Another national bank is said to hold some of the bonds.

On Saturday, April 3, the last business day before the failure of the Globe Savings Bank, Herbert Skinner, Spaulding's private secretary, drew \$15,000 from the Globe Savings Bank and deposited it in the Northwestern Bank to Spaulding's private account.

SPALDING'S OFFER.

CHICAGO, April 13.—Treasurer Spaulding of the board of trustees of the University of Illinois, who was expected to come before the meeting of the board today and explain the disappearance of the University funds, trusted to his keeping, failed to put in an appearance. At the meeting, which was held behind closed doors, E. G. Keith was elected to fill Spaulding's place as treasurer. A list was received from Spaulding, giving the kind and denomination of the securities which he offers to cover his liability for the endowment bonds.

OTHER CHARGES.

CHICAGO, April

The Times-Mirror Company,
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AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT.

ORPHEUM—Vaudeville.
BURBANK—The Three Hats.

NOT A LOCAL ISSUE.

There is much more reason for a duty of 1 cent per pound on oranges and lemons than for a duty of 1 cent per pound on grapes and peaches. The grower of peaches is to a considerable extent protected by the perishable nature of his product. The same, to a less degree, is true of grapes. But citrus fruits can be kept for a long time after being picked from the trees, and can be shipped long distances without danger of serious deterioration. For this reason, foreign oranges and lemons can be shipped into the United States, to the great detriment of the domestic industry.

Those eastern Senators and Representatives who are joining hands with the New York importers against the products of California are exhibiting a very narrow and petty spirit. Protection is not a "local issue," the late lamented Gen. Hancock to the contrary notwithstanding. It is the broadest kind of a broad national issue, and should be treated as such. The great staple products of each and every section of the country are entitled, by the verdict of the people as rendered at the late national election, to ample protection. That verdict was not rendered in favor of any particular locality, nor was the result achieved by the voters of any one section. As the result of the election was general, so should the legislation which follows it be general in character. No one locality should be favored at the expense of another locality. Having secured protection for their products, the eastern Senators and Representatives should be willing in all fairness to grant as full protection to the products of the West.

If importers and foreign governments are to be allowed to dictate the terms of our tariff laws there will be no particular reason why the American people should vote on the tariff question at all. It would save a great deal of trouble, time and expense to turn the whole matter over to the free-trade attorneys, the importers, and the representatives of European governments in the United States. Our Congress, being thus relieved of the burdens and responsibilities of legislation, might turn its attention to plans and specifications for relieving the condition of the destitute savages of Patagonia, or to some other equally beneficent work of charity.

FUND FOR THE UNEMPLOYED.

Additional contributions to the above fund have been received by THE TIMES as follows:

B. S. Hays.....\$ 10.00
J. J. Frampton.....5.00
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The grand boulevard through Elysian Park is still unfinished, but most important of all there are hundreds of needy and deserving men, with families dependent upon them, who are out of employment. This fund is still open and those who have not yet contributed are respectfully invited to forward their offerings, which will be promptly acknowledged.

Gen. T. C. H. Smith, who died in the Ojai Valley, Ventura county, on the 8th, was known during the war as "Telegraph Smith," to distinguish him from "Baldy" Smith and A. J. Smith, who was the first colonel of the famous Sacramento regiment. Gen. Smith devoted his time chiefly to keeping up the telegraph lines, and had a very risky time of it to the very last hour of the war. President Hayes said he was one of the greatest aids the Federal government ever had to assist in putting down the war; and he was in a position to know whereof he spoke. Gen. Smith was a sterling man, a patriot and a soldier. The writer, in memory of a long-time friendship, reverently lets drop a flower and a tear upon his tomb.

In consequence of the crusade made by Senators Gallinger and Allen against the Civil Service Act the condition of matters as they exist under it has been looked up. It has been found that the whole number of places in the civil service is 178,717, of which 57,107 are in the classified and 121,610 in the unclassified service. There are now about ten thousand persons appointed by the President and the number is on the increase. During 1896, 81,270 persons were examined for the classified service and 20,493 passed examination, but out of these only 6,084 have so far received appointments of any sort.

will be filled by a member of his own family. Great men have no great sons.

SOME FACTS ABOUT GREECE.

The kingdom of Greece has a total area of about 25,000 square miles, and a population of about 2,000,000 souls. The law-making power is vested in a House of Representatives consisting of 150 members. These are elected by popular vote, but the legislative body is convened and adjourned by the King. The people of Greece are generally well educated, intelligent and intensely patriotic. They are natural politicians, and take great interest in the conduct of public affairs. Although the numerical fighting strength of Turkey is much greater than that of Greece, the latter makes up in enthusiasm, to a considerable extent, what she lacks in numbers. It is at least a debatable question whether, if Europe will keep hands off, the Greeks will not whip the Turks in a fair stand-up fight.

The ancient Greeks, or Hellenes, from whom those of the present day are descended, were a brave and warlike race. The history of Greece is a long and fateful record of heroism and bloodshed. The earliest history of the country which can be regarded as authentic begins with the Dorian invasion, which covered some two centuries and was completed about 1000 B. C. The Dorians formed the State of Sparta, while the former inhabitants were reduced to slavery, both in the mainland and in the colonies. The great war between Sparta and Athens began in 432 B. C., and lasted twenty-seven years, resulting in the defeat of Athens. Sparta having thus established its supremacy, began a series of oppressions which finally brought about a combination of the other States. This was aided by the Persian King, and caused the downfall and defeat of Sparta at Leuctra, in 370 B. C.

The greatest power of ancient Greece was attained under Alexander the Great, who defeated Darius, founded the city of Alexandria, overthrew the Persian empire, and conquered Asia Minor, planting Greek colonies throughout the conquered territory. The death of Alexander occurred at Babylon, in the year 323 B. C. His death was followed by the Lamiian war for political liberty, but the Macedonians, under Antipater, were again victorious.

Greece was ravaged by the Goths in 395 A. D. In 747 A. D. a great pestilence depopulated many parts of the country. The Bulgarians swept the country in 1018, but were defeated, finally, by Basil II. In 1463 Mohammed II gained the mastery over Greece, and nearly all the possessions of Greece had passed into the hands of the Turks before 1669. Thus matters remained until 1821, when the war for independence broke out. This war lasted until 1828, when, by the aid of England, France and Russia, Greece once more gained her liberty.

Otho of Bavaria was made King of Greece in 1832, and reigned until 1862, when he was forced to leave the country. George I., the present King, succeeded Otho, beginning his reign in 1862. He is a son of the King of Denmark, and is 52 years of age, having been born in 1845.

The audacity shown by the Greeks in the present crisis suggests the thought that they are not acting altogether upon their own initiative. It is scarcely conceivable that this small nation, even though it be descended from a race of warriors, would wantonly hurl defiance in the face of allied Europe. Such an attitude, unless backed up by some great power, would be the acme of foolhardiness. It seems probable, therefore, that Greece is encouraged in her present course by a secret understanding with one or more of the great powers of Europe. If this be true, the outcome of the conflict cannot be foretold with any degree of accuracy. It may easily, before the end is reached, involve all Europe in the throes of war.

At all events, the sturdy loyalty of the Greeks in standing fast to the cause which they believe to be right challenges the admiration of the civilized world. It is the struggle of a brave and resolute people against oppression and wrong which have continued through a long series of years. Whatever may be the outcome of the conflict, the sympathies of enlightened and patriotic men throughout Christendom will necessarily be with the Hellenes in their valiant struggle, against great odds, for human liberty and the rights of man.

The new Chinese Minister to the United States, now stopping for a few days in San Francisco, on his way to Washington, who is described as a gentleman of wide learning and modern ideas, having practiced law for five years in the English courts at Hongkong, must have received a somewhat peculiar impression of the relative importance attached by American newspapers to celebrities. In the Examiner of Monday, the day following his arrival, there was one column devoted to a picture of a bogus baron who married a woman of dubious reputation, four columns and a half of pictures of the convicted murderer Durrant, and a modest half column picture of the Ambassador.

The President acted wisely in taking a brief vacation to regain some of the vitality which has been lost by close application to his official duties. He will be better able to attend to those duties by reason of the brief respite which his trip on the Dolphin has given him. President McKinley will never find it convenient to go fishing on Memorial day, nor to skip out of Washington just when his official presence is most needed. He would have precedents for such



LITTLE SALLIE MCFARLAND, THE 1897 FLORAL QUEEN.

The Floral Queen for 1897 has been chosen in the person of six-year-old Sallie McFarland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan McFarland. Her float, which is to be of elaborate construction, will be the only one to appear on Floral day, and will carry her court of miniature ladies and gentlemen. The numerous Club of Pasadena will have a hundred members in line, and will form the guard of honor to the Queen. A band of eighteen pieces, uniformed in white and blue, will lend their attraction.

action, it is true, but he is not the man to follow them.

The general belief is that the Senate will not reach consideration of the Dingley Bill till the first week in May, nor adopt it until the middle of June. Meanwhile, the mills of European cities are running day and night to flood America with foreign goods before the Dingley Bill goes into effect. However, that's no fault of the Maine Congressman, who has done his part well and faithfully. It is only to be hoped that the Senate will not act so as to exemplify the old adage that "too many cooks spoil the broth."

The city fathers of Santa Barbara have adopted an ordinance to prevent building contractors from carting sand off the beach boulevard to mix in their mortar. Apart from the damage done to the beach, there should be a State law to prevent the use of salt-water sand in any mortar used for building, because no mortar is fit for use which contains salt.

When a Redlands nurseryman sells 17,000 olive trees all in one bunch and to one man, it begins to look as if the purchaser wanted to have everything oil right.

In that Yuma bull fight the bull had rather the best of it, and he deserved to have it.

Greece is little, but oh my!

LETTERS TO THE TIMES.

Not Alcatraz Asphalting.
[Arthur F. L. Bell, resident manager for the Alcatraz Company at Carpinteria, Cal., writes to THE TIMES as follows:]
CARPINTERIA, April 12, 1897.—[To the Editor of THE TIMES: In your valued paper of March 28, 1897, your Santa Barbara correspondent made the following statement:

"It is rumored that this same resident, which has proven so valuable to the Alcatraz Company, entered largely into the composition which caused the removal of the pavement on South Main street, Los Angeles, to be rejected, the fault lying in the fact that the still did not extract all of the coal oil remaining in the asphalt to render it worthless."

The facts are that the twenty blocks referred to were laid by the L. N. Millipiece Company with asphalt derived from the northern end of this county. Two blocks, however, were laid on South Main street, at the same time as Millipiece laid his, by J. A. Fairchild, with Alcatraz asphalt, and were accepted by the city, and this was the only asphalt street work done in that whole job that was not ordered torn up by the City Council.

Furthermore, the Alcatraz Company never used a gallon of Summerland oil or residuum in the asphalt application, that oil being only used as fuel and paint base.

Yours respectfully,
THE ALCATRAZ COMPANY REFINERY OFFICE,
Arthur F. L. Bell, resident manager.

A Suggestion of Fatigue.
LOS ANGELES, April 13, 1897.—[To the Editor of THE TIMES: Do you like ideas? or do I make you tired? Here is another.

Don't you think it is a mistake to have that water carnival in Westlake Park? I was in the Sixth-street Park when they raised the Liberty bells and saw beds of heliotrope, etc., three feet high, crushed flat. There was wire round the beds at first. It might not be so bad at Westlake—it is larger—but if you have a big crowd there at night how much mischief will be done?

If you must have the water carnival, why not use the reservoir at East Los Angeles on Downey avenue, not the park one? The Downey-avenue cars and East Side Park cars run within a quarter of a mile of the Liberty bells. There, carriages could stand round one side and I think a great many people would see from the hills ranch.

Faithfully,
FRED C. McKINNEY.
Honor to Whom Honor is Due.
LOS ANGELES, April 14.—[To the Editor of THE TIMES: In the City Assessor's communication addressed to the Council and published in yesterday's issue of your paper, Mr. W. J. A. Smith, a very proficient Assessor, was credited with the introduction of our present system of books and maps for assessing purposes, which have been copied and adopted by many of the counties of this State.

NEVER SAY DIE.

EVANGELIST JOHNSON DEEP IN ANOTHER LIBEL SUIT.

Fresno Evening Examiner Takes Its Turn at Defending Its Utterances Concerning Johnson.

ANOTHER CARD UP HIS SLEEVE.

CITIZENS TO BE SUED FOR FALSE IMPRISONMENT.

Total Value of Johnson's Reputation Placed at One Hundred Thousand Dollars—What the Examiner Said.

Perseverance is said to accomplish almost anything, and if I. T. Johnson and his attorneys fail to make a snug sum out of the Fresno thoughtless and damaged reputation, it will not be for lack of trying. Severely oblivious to any discouragement which might have been conveyed by the adverse verdict in the libel suit brought against the Republican, they are at it again, this time with a new card up his sleeve.

It appears that Johnson values his lacerated feelings at exactly \$100,000, but, with a consideration truly Christian, he has divided this sum into quarters, in order that no one defendant shall be oppressed by a judgment against him for the full amount. The Republican, if it and the jury had only lived up to what was expected of them, should have paid \$25,000 for the privilege of telling the world what the citizens of Fresno thought of the Johnson brand of moral philosophy. As this proved to be the hope that failed, the indefatigable evangelist is trying to take a fall out of the Examiner. The result of this effort lies in the future, in which Johnson appears as plaintiff against A. R. Briggs, Sherwood, Louis Einstein, W. M. Wyatt and O. J. Woodward, all prominent citizens of Fresno, who are accused of having compelled the evangelist to go to the First National Bank of that city and detain him for two hours, depriving him of liberty and the pursuit of happiness and causing him \$25,000 worth of mental anguish, to say nothing of the loss of reputation which followed as a result of the famous indignation meeting held that night in the bank.

There have been rumors of an additional \$25,000 suit against the Fresno Evening Examiner, which completes the list of ingredients for the \$100,000 damages prescribed by Johnson's attorneys as the minimum for the suit. For his spiritual bumps and bruises, but this court has nothing to do with the damages that may befall a San Francisco paper. Just now, this Christian martyr is giving it trouble enough of his own.

In the present case the Evening Examiner is represented by E. B. Butler and Hugh Hume, who wear a cheerful and buoyant air that seems to indicate a bland consciousness of having eaten the canary. Judging by the extracts from the articles complained of, the Examiner seems to have made fine hash of that luckless bird. One extract says:

"Johnson's sweeping assault upon the virtue of the children and the moral status of the public schools of Fresno has created a feeling of indignation that nothing but the most sublime charity can suppress. The fathers and mothers are insulted and every citizen is filled with a spirit of resentment against this moral leper. His presence in this city can be dispensed with, and he may be fortunate indeed if he should get away without danger to his person now."

Again the Examiner energetically remarks: "There is no more tender spot to touch than the family circle, and no touch with good judgment, let alone a spirit of Christianity, would permit its tongue to profane the sanctity of a home by giving voice to any rumor or insinuation against its purity. No man equipped for such a mission as a proclaimer of the gospel of peace and salvation would resort to such foul means as this Mr. Johnson, whose acts would defame the title of reverend, for the purpose of notoriety. It was a crowning act of folly, and the indignant writer would follow him through the earth, and he will be pointed out as the self-confessed slanderer and defamer of character."

In addition to its other sins, the Examiner wounded Brother Johnson's feelings by printing the follow-

ing editorial, which seems to give full expression to the feelings of the people of Fresno regarding this apostle of purity:

"I want to get up on my perch as soon as possible, as things have been warming up, and they are always more interesting while hot. For instance, there is Johnson. I shall call him The Johnson, for there is only one of his kind, and I don't want to insult any one of the balance of the Johnson family, even by innuendo. I wish to make the distinction as invidious as possible. Since he was tried by a court of general sessions and acquitted of being a decent and truthful man, he has not acted pretty. There is one serious regret. He can vote, and this may have some effect on the highly moral attitude of the equal suffragist, as the good ladies may not care to be on a level with him at the ballot box. However, if he manages to conduct himself at other places as he has here, there is no likelihood of his ever gaining a residence anywhere. He has a way of making things too hot for permanency."

I love to dwell on such a character, not that I admire it, but for the rarity of it. It is much more unique and fascinating than a real corpse dangling from a tree after being interviewed by a mob. I would like to write an obituary or a biography of some man who had committed a grave sin, and then the general who gave the order for it would be rough on the ancestors."

These extracts and many more were read in the courtroom yesterday, to show the full extent of the gains wounds made in the evangelist's capabilities. Then the plaintiff himself was put on the stand, and made to shuffle through the same old dance, encouraged by W. J. Trask with the relentless prod of cross-examination. Bad memory for details seems to be a chronic affliction with plaintiffs in libel suits, and the amount that Mr. Johnson was to understand, or did not remember, or had never known, would have filled a volume. The name of the man who told him about the shock troops of the little girls of Fresno is still a mystery, in spite of the diligent efforts of Mr. Trask to refresh the parson's memory. He has not been marked that were he to divulge this name, he would be held in "no more respect than a spaniel hatched out from a kennel in a back yard, and he didn't remember it, anyhow. He had asked another man about it, but he had also forgotten the name of the other man."

If this case goes against him, and the next Mr. Johnson has quite decided what he shall do. He solemnly swears that he will never again be courted that, like St. Paul in a certain trying crisis of his career, he should appeal to Caesar. If Caesar wants to take to the brush, now is the accepted time.

AT THE PLAYHOUSES.

ORPHEUM. This house was crowded to the doors last evening, and the show was given an extra time of fifteen minutes. The new comedians on the programme for the week is one team which is no stranger to local audiences, and they were given one of the heartiest receptions ever accorded to a feature at this theater. Johnny Ray is probably the cleverest type of the exaggerated Irish comedian that walks the boards. His brogue is thicker than a London fog, and his facial extravagances beggar description. He is so genuinely comical, and they who warmly endorse him, can so easily set their house in a roar, that it is to be regretted that he at times lets his fun-making degenerate into coarse and vulgar jest. He has an excellent toll in Emma Ray, his sister team mate, who helps out the merry-making with splendid aplomb. She has a hearty, robust manner, and in the same way, she is warmly endorsed in response to a recall looks fully equal to the task of slandering Johnny around the stage, as is done in make-believe. As has been said, this pair was given an ovation, and carried off the comedy honors of the performance.

The Viona sisters are a trio of musicians who play duets on violins with piano accompaniment with genuine ability. They played selections last evening from the opera of "Carmen," the popular dark song and dance, "Ma Angeline," and the intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana," in a masterly way, and so caught on to popular favor that they were warmly endorsed. The three Richards, a team of acrobats, do some entirely novel feats in tumbling, vaulting and somersaulting, and proved a strong acquisition to the bill. Waterbury brothers and Tenny repeat their great musical act of last week, and the comedy member of the team introduced a lot of new business which serves to keep the audience convulsed. A feature of their performance was the playing of L. F. Gottschalk's new "Fiesta March" as a cornet trio. The composition contains the elements of popularity, and will probably have a big run.

Dick and Alice McAvoy, the clever Hogan's Alley kids, Lindsey brothers, and Devere, who does a commonplace bit of monologue and topical singing in black face, completes the bill and rounds out a show that is an improvement on its predecessors for the past two weeks. The same programme every evening up to and including next Monday. Matinees as usual Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

LA FIESTA NOTES.

FLOATS ALL READY TO APPEAR IN THE PARADE.

Activity of Committees in Completing Arrangements for Parades. Pasadena to Be Well Represented.

The bluejackets, the marines and the officers of the Monadnock and the Monterey will be here for La Fiesta and will participate in the day parades and the other functions of the joyous occasion. From Pasadena, the committee received the following letter from Capt. G. W. Sumner, who is the senior officer of the vessels at San Diego:

"I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th inst. The Monadnock and the Monterey will leave here on the 17th inst. Saturday morning for San Pedro to participate in the Los Angeles fiesta of April 20th-24th. Lists of the officers have been forwarded to your secretary, Mr. Charles S. Walton. Suitable transportation having been tendered by you, it is my intention to land as large a force as we can spare from the two vessels to take part in the parade of Wednesday, April 21. This force should be returned to San Pedro in time for the men to reach their vessels by six o'clock, p.m., at the latest."

The Executive Committee is much annoyed by learning of a man who is going the rounds of the streets asking contributions for decoration purposes. The committee has a strict ban on such in their employ and if he represents himself as acting for that body, he is an impostor.

Chairman Kirkland of the Water Carnival Committee has done wonders, and the public will owe him and his coadjutors one of the best features of the entire week of fun. The committee has not had any too much money, but has succeeded in making the most of every dollar, and the result will be a pronounced success.

The sale of tickets for the various events opens for the general public today, the sales heretofore having been only to those who had subscribed to the fund. The tickets are going very rapidly, and altogether the demand is excellent on all of the events.

Those who saw the parade of last year will remember with pleasure the young girl, who in the float display showed some perfect equitation. She will appear again in this year's parade, riding standard-bearers. The ladies and driving by ribbon reins a Shetland pony on which will appear her little sister. The lady's name is Miss Annie Kessler of Pomona, and she is a horse rider who is one of the best riders in the state. She and her sister will also ride in the floral parade with their steeds covered with blossoms.

The Floral Committee has completed its work, breaking the record, being the first one to end its labors. The floats are ready to appear at a moment's notice. Each float will represent a flower story, and will be a marvel of beauty, as well as of significance. The Chinese dragon, which is a masterpiece of great magnitude. In addition to the debut of the new dragon, which will be twice as large as the one seen last year, there will be a number of floats of great magnitude. The good-luck tiger, which will be brought here for the purpose of being a mascot to the community. It will arrive in a few days, and immediately be taken to the door of every merchant in Chinatown, where it will be received with peculiar ceremonies and much kowtow. It is a monster, and is ornamented to a magnificent degree.

Among the firemen there is the keenest rivalry for the prizes which have been offered for the parade. The Angeleno Heights company has twice taken a prize, and are making a great struggle to repeat their performance this season. The ladies of that locality are assisting the boys, but the men of the other engines have friends as well, and are endeavoring to close on them. The result will be that the department will make the finest showing on record.

There is a tremendous demand for tickets for the reception to the children given by the Queen on Saturday morning at the tribunes. There will be none sale for this event. The only tickets of admittance given to the children for the use of their parents.

Mr. Modini-Wood has called a rehearsal of the parade floats for this evening at Musio Hall. At the last one there were 175 participants, and the hard work that has been done shows that there will be a magnificent parade.

Count von Schmidt has his animated bouquets well under way. There will be sixteen of them, varying from 3 1/2 to 5 feet in diameter. The bouquets of violets, roses, callas, bridal wreaths, wisteria, marigolds and fleur-de-lis. The Count is very anxious that all of the flowers be in perfect condition, and he should be sent so as to arrive not later than on the first train in from the country on Friday morning. These bouquets will be sent to the various country. They will be supported by a boy in each handle. The flowers will be transported, free of charge, by Western Union.

Pasadena will also be well represented in the floral parade. The committee yesterday received entries from the Pasadena High School, Pasadena Board of Trade for the High School, for Miss Orton's School for Girls, and for the Tuesday Evening and Throop clubs of that city. Pasadena has a large number of participants, and the prizes represented by some of the prettiest girls in the valley, and their equipages will form a great and beautiful attraction.

The committee has decided to award prizes of \$100, \$20 and \$10, respectively, to the three vehicles most artistically decorated. The prizes will be awarded on the day of the parade, and considerable rivalry is anticipated.

PERSONALS.

E. J. May of Wheeling, W. Va., is stopping at the Hollenbeck.
Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Morrison of Riverside are at the Hollenbeck.
J. S. Kinnan, the famous druggist of Toledo, O., is registered at the Van Nuys.
S. T. Goode of Salt Lake, prominent in railroad circles, is domiciled at the Hollenbeck.
Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pogson and son of Tejon Rancho are sojourning at the Westminster.

E. D. Kenna of Chicago, chief solicitor of the Santa Fe Railroad, is stopping at the Van Nuys, with his wife. Among those registered at the Nadeau are: C. C. Foster and wife of Chicago and Dr. T. C. Stockton of San Diego.

Among the late arrivals at the Hotel Metropole, Catalina, are: Miss Belle D. Long, L. D. Bailey, John H. Schumacher, Mrs. Charles W. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Holman, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Eckley, J. O. Kriehn, Mr. and Mrs. Niles Pease, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Rice, R. G. Ottman, R. H. Hay Chapman.

Lehigh Valley Roads.
PHILADELPHIA (Pa.) April 13.—The Lehigh Valley Railroad announces that Examiner Little, having completed an examination of the books of the company today, has concluded negotiations with Drexel & Co. for the sale of \$5,000,000 of new mortgage and collateral trust bonds to provide for a settlement of outstanding obligations.

Assistant Secretary of War.
WASHINGTON, April 13.—It is understood that the President has selected James Martin of Brattleboro, Vt., to be Assistant Secretary of War.

THE WEATHER.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles, April 13.—At 5 o'clock a.m. the barometer registered 30.05; at 6 p.m., 30.02. Thermometer at the corresponding hours showed 54 deg. and 71 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 100 per cent.; 5 p.m., 63 per cent. Wind, 5 a.m., east, velocity 3 miles; 5 p.m., west, velocity 6 miles. Maximum temperature, 76 deg.; minimum temperature, 51 deg. Character of weather, 5 a.m., foggy; 5 p.m., clear. Barometer reduced to sea level.

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ALL ALONG THE LINE.

A miner writes from Desert Springs that when the people of Randsburg quit selling town lots to each other and go to work in earnest on their mines, the wonderful richness of the district will astonish the world. He intimates that the desert camps also need less whisky and more water.

The experience of Clossen, the man who killed another yesterday morning, surrendered at the Police Station, and was a free man twelve hours later, illustrates the difference between the methods of police departments. The man had \$200 when he was locked up. The difference between Los Angeles and San Francisco systems is that he had the \$200 intact when he was turned loose.

The Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association realizes that Los Angeles is no longer a village, and that it is time for the adoption of city methods in various lines of public service. The association has begun the work of educating the street-car operators, and it is to be hoped that its efforts may bring about a better system of running cars. Cessation of street-railway traffic at 11:30 p.m. is absurd in a city like this. The cars should be run at least an hour later.

A report was sent out from Denver a few weeks ago, purporting to give details of a fight in a political convention, in which women delegates took a hand, and also a handful of whiskers from another delegate's face. Alice Stone Blackwell has taken particular pains to investigate the story, and has found that it was a pure fake without any basis of fact. So all the funny and ill-natured things that have been said about women in politics because of the alleged scrimmage in Denver, must be retracted and duly apologized for.

Rev. S. S. Flisk, who for over two years has been pastor at the Baptist Church at Long Beach, has resigned to accept a position in the northern part of the State. Mr. Flisk is one of the best-known and most popular ministers of the gospel on the Pacific Coast. He was for several years stationed at Santa Barbara, afterward at Pasadena, and then at Santa Rosa, from which place he came to Southern California for his health in 1895. Mr. Flisk is a man of more than ordinary ability, outside of his chosen field. He is now obtaining a patent on a valuable mechanical invention.

And now it appears that the extensive systems of heating and ventilating the new public school buildings, which were recently put in at a cost of \$25,000, are practically a failure, the sanitary condition of some of the buildings being such as to absolutely endanger the health of the pupils. This is about the way the thing is generally done in American municipalities. The taxpayers are considered legitimate prey by enterprising contractors who are able to exert a hypnotic influence on municipal officials; but then the taxpayers must like it, or else they would take care to elect to office municipal servants who are not so easily hypnotized.

The Rev. Dr. W. J. Chichester, pastor of Immanuel Church, has received a call to the First Presbyterian Church of Chicago (Dr. Barrow's church), which carries with it a salary of \$6000. This is such a marked increase over the salary paid to Dr. Chichester by his present congregation, and there are so many other alluring features to this call to an important field, that the reverend gentleman's Los Angeles friends and parishioners are much disturbed for fear he is to be lost to this community. Should he decline the call, it will be a proof of loyalty to his people here that will be complimentary to them, as well as gratifying to those who admire the sterling Christian character and the intellectual attainments of one who stands well to the front in his profession in this city. Los Angeles can ill afford to lose such men as the Rev. Dr. Chichester, but whatever the loss to Immanuel Church, the Chicago congregation is to be congratulated on its selection of a pastor who is a noble man.

Lady Macabees' Anniversary.
Banner Hive, No. 21, Ladies of the Macabees celebrated their third anniversary at I.O.O.F. Temple last night with an entertainment and ball, which drew out a large attendance from other hives in the city and neighboring towns. Mrs. Fanny D. Cutler, Mrs. Josephine Morgan and Mrs. Anna Townsend were the Committee of Arrangements. The officers of the hive constituted the Reception Committee. The programme comprised selections by Wilson's orchestra; piano solos by Miss Larkin and Mrs. Grady; a discussion of Stockton's "The Lady of the Tiger"; by seven ladies; the quarrel scene from "School for Scandal" by Miss Nanna Cutler and Byron Badham; recitation, Miss Crocker; Japanese dance by six ladies in costume; tango dance, Miss Sylvia Douse; vocal solo, Mrs. Emma Carr; instrumental duet by the Ryan brothers. At the conclusion of the programme the floor was cleared and a dance programme of twelve numbers was given.

Y.W.C.A. Benefit.
The readings from "The Little Minister" given at the Southern California Music Hall last evening by the senior class of the Cusack School of Oratory, for the benefit of the Young Women's Christian Association, was a very successful and enjoyable affair. The programme, which was made up of charmingly-read scenes from the popular book, was participated in by the Misses Clara May Russell, Ella Maud Murphy, Blanche A. Garfield, Rosetta Evans, Ida M. Leonard, Marcia J. York, Lorena E. Hoag, Jennie O. Chambers and Mrs. Anna Morgan.

Notice to Mariners.
It is reported that the whistling buoy outside San Francisco bar, California, is not sounding well; the whistle being out of order. It will be repaired at once. This notice affects the list of beacons and buoys, Pacific Coast, 1895, 2597 J.

TIMELY TOPICS.

MERCHANTS AND MANUFACTURERS MEAN BUSINESS.

Poor Street-car Service, Bad Paying and the Harbor Job Pointedly Alluded to in Resolutions—Forecast Office Wanted.

The Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association held an important meeting on Monday. Those present were President Frank and Messrs. Bergen, Kingsley, Anderson, Burnham, Wigmore, Griffith, Stuart and Chamberlain.

Robert McGarvin and the firm of A. Straus & Co. were elected to membership.

A communication was received from the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce inclosed resolutions passed by that body asking the Chief of the Weather Bureau at Washington to establish a local forecast office in Los Angeles, and the secretary was instructed to draft resolutions to the same purport and forward them to Prof. Moore, Chief of the Weather Bureau.

A communication was received from the headquarters of the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco, inviting the members of the association to attend a Free-food Congress to be held in San Francisco April 20. As no name whatever appeared upon the circular, no action was taken upon it.

An interesting communication was received from Rudolph Kurner, Baghdad, Persia, in regard to the export of dates to California. The writer had been established there twenty-six years, and seemed to have a general knowledge of the business, and stated that he could interest our merchants in other articles, such as wool, gum, trass, asphaltum, Persian carpets, skins (astrakhan), Persian carpets, etc. He closed by a request that "in remitting orders, please open the necessary credit in a bank near Bombay, London, Paris or Marseilles."

A communication was received from William R. Castle, late Hawaiian Minister in Washington, strongly in favor of the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States.

The president of the National Association of Manufacturers, Theodore C. Search, sent a communication advocating the introduction of civil-service rules in the appointment of consuls. Commenting on this later, Mr. Griffith remarked that we change our consuls with each administration, so that a man no sooner gets acquainted with the duties of his office and arrives at a high state of efficiency, than he is removed to give place to a new man.

The subject of inadequate street-car service came up for consideration. It was complained that people, while visiting their friends, cannot remain to a late hour in the evening, nor even those who attend the theaters and concerts, because the service is so poor, such an early hour; and the secretary was requested to send a communication to the managers of the various street-car companies requesting them to extend their service to 12:30 a.m.

The subject of the condition of Spring street was discussed with earnestness and much warmth. The rutts are so bad that wheels are frequently taken off and other accidents occur. The president pertinently asked "What are we getting for the taxes we pay?" and replied: "Ninety policemen and twenty-five street employees who actually perform service." The condition of the principal streets is worse than that of any eastern cities of the same or larger population. We cannot exhibit them to strangers without apologizing for their disgraceful condition. Mr. Anderson moved that a committee consisting of Mr. Burnham, Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Kingsley, the president and secretary, draft strong resolutions expressing the sense of this association and urging the Mayor and Common Council to take immediate action on the subject.

The subject of the unaccountable delay in the improvement of San Pedro Harbor was discussed at length, resulting in a motion that a letter be addressed to Secretary Alger, Senator White and Congressman Barlow reminding them that the government had made an appropriation for work on San Pedro Harbor, and that the people of Southern California expected that the officers would proceed to perform that work without waiting for instructions from private or corporate interests.

Board of Trade.
The newly-elected directors of the Board of Trade met yesterday morning at 10 o'clock and elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: P. M. Daniel, president; W. A. Henry, vice-president; John S. Thayer, treasurer; Gregory Perkins, Jr., secretary.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted: "Resolved, that the Los Angeles Board of Trade again begs to call the attention of the Chief of the Weather Bureau to the advisability of establishing at this point a local forecast office for the collection and distribution of weather conditions and indications. We believe that such action will greatly benefit the fruit-growers and shippers and others in this section who look to this branch of the service for assistance, and that the conditions prevailing here and the importance of the matter warrant us in making this earnest request."

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Children's Red and Blue China Silk Parasols, natural wood handles; each.....85c
Children's Parasols Two Ruffles, figured China Silk, bamboo handles; each.....\$1.25

LADIES' PARASOLS.

Ladies' Plain White China Silk Parasols, enameled frames and sticks; each.....\$1.00
Ladies' China Silk Parasols, white enameled frames, one ruffle; each.....\$1.50
Ladies' Pongee Silk Parasols, two ruffles, novelty sticks; each.....\$2.00
Ladies' Fancy China Silk Parasols, three ruffles, paragon frames; each.....\$3.00
Ladies' China Silk, Dresden effects, grenadine ruffles, natural sticks; each.....\$3.50
Ladies' Linen Parasols, colored and self lined, fancy handles; each.....\$1.50
Ladies' Linen Parasols, pink, blue, yellow and green silk linings, novelty handles; each.....\$2.50
Ladies' Fancy Linen Parasols, silk linings, lace and insertions.....\$3.00, \$3.50
Ladies' Fancy Mousseline de Soie Parasols, chiffon and grenadine ruffles; each.....\$6.00
Ladies' Fancy Batiste Parasols, silk lined, elaborate ruffle trimmings, bamboo handles.....\$10.00
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Ladies' Novelty Carriage Shades, light colors, \$4, now.....\$2.00
Ladies' Novelty Carriage Shades, orange wood handles, \$5; now.....\$2.50
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SOCIETY.

Mrs. Charles McFarland entertained at luncheon yesterday at her residence on West Twenty-eighth street, in honor of her sister, Miss Larkin of Portsmouth, O. The table was prettily decorated in pink and violet, pink roses filling a crystal jar in the center and being strewn down the length of the table, tied at either end with a bow of violet satin ribbon. At each place was a long-stemmed rosebud. After the luncheon, several delightful baritone solos were rendered by the hostess's son, Daniel McFarland. Besides the guest of honor there were present the Misses Sara, Innes, Florence, Silent, Ada Patterson, Bessie Bonelli, Grace Cole, Jane Parsons, Miss Higgins of Columbus, O., and Miss Evans of Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Guyer gave a dinner yesterday at their residence on South Hill street, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Frazier. The guests were all relatives and the affair, though informal, was very delightful. The table was decorated with pink sweet peas and maidenhair ferns, and a large centerpiece and scattered over the cloth. Beneath the centerpiece was a large square of exquisite drawing-work over green satin. The mantle was also banked with the sweet peas and ferns. The dinner was served under the direction of Christopher. Those present besides the guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. George Carson, Mrs. Dolores Watson, the Misses G. Dominguez, Anna Carson, Francisca Alexander, Eichenmiller, and Miss Lucy Carson and Vicar-General, Father Adam.

The annual reception to the members of the Stinson-Lafayette Industrial Association, held by Mrs. T. D. Stinson, at her residence on Figueroa street, yesterday afternoon, was attended by a large gathering of society women. Mrs. Stinson was assisted in receiving by the following members of the board of managers: Mrs. C. N. Flint, Felix C. Flint, Frank Wiggins, Hamlin, A. P. West, A. M. Stephens, C. B. Jones, L. W. Blinn, S. S. Salisbury, Margaret Hobbs and R. J. Waters. The ladies who presided in the punch and tea rooms were assisted by a bevy of pretty girls in charming gowns. In the punch room, which was decorated with masses of acacia and callas, Mrs. Sara Stinson had charge of a bowl of delicious punch, and was assisted by the Misses Wellborn and Miss Sada Johnson. The table was covered with yellow marigolds and ferns, fastened here and there with yellow satin ribbons. In the dining-room, quantities of pink-colored carnations and grasses were arranged in a huge cut-glass bowl in the center of the table, and in bohemian glass vases at diagonally opposite corners. Ropes of similar flowers at the chandelier with pink satin ribbons, fell to the four corners, where they were caught with ribbons and carnations. Mrs. Willard Stinson and Mrs. Frank Burnett presided at either end of the table and were assisted by the Misses Fairchild, the Misses Flora and Clara Howes and Miss Goodrich. Flowers and potted plants were effectively arranged about the other room. Christopher catered for the affair.

Mrs. W. R. Hubbard, F. A. Salisbury and E. A. Bruck entertained the Cordillo Club Monday evening at the hall on the corner of Main and Thirtieth streets. The hall was decorated with roses and palms, and about the punch table were masses of purple and white fleur-de-lis and wisteria. The evening was devoted to whist and dancing, the music being furnished by Knoll's Orchestra. The lady's first prize, a cut-glass vinaigrette, was won by Mrs. Barber, and the second, a salad plate, by Mrs. Byrnes of Kentucky, the only guest not a member of the club. The gentlemen's first, a silver-mounted hat brush, was won by W. H. Barnes and the second, a silver key-ring, by Dr. Cunningham.

Mrs. J. A. Osgood entertained informally yesterday afternoon at her home on West Twelfth street, in honor of the birthday of her niece, Miss Vivian Monroe. Miss Monroe and Miss Hattie Minkler sang several solos, and games, conundrums and a dainty luncheon were enjoyed. The cutting of the birthday cake, which blazed with pink and white candles, was the source of much amusement, the hidden ring falling to the lot of Miss Monroe and the dime to Dr. Harvey. The guests were: Mrs. Monroe, K. T. Galpin, Dr. Louise Harvey, the Misses North, Longstreth, Jennie Henderson, Maurice, Soule and Conger.

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Newman entertained about forty-five children Saturday afternoon at their home on Hill street in honor of the thirteenth birthday of their son, Roy. Dancing and games made up a delightful programme. The hall and parlors were decorated in La Fleita colors. Mrs. Goldwater, Mrs. Schlesinger and Miss Marion Myers assisted. The guests were:

Misses:
F. Sunderland, Hazel Myers, Honora Meyers, Rita Jacoby, Margaret Cochran, Irma Jacoby, Sadie Levy, Rose B. Lewis, C. Meyberg, Lottie Seligman, Josea Germain, F. Newman, Frankie Germain, Edna Newman, Jessie Smith, Florine Hellman, Mabel Lyser, Kingsbaker, Ora Newman, Gertrude Cohn, Francis Newman, Esther Hirschfeld, Masters, Ben Goldwater, M. Meyberg, Melville Jacoby, Harry Jacoby, Julius Jacoby, Walter Jacoby, Willie Newman, Leo Brode, Roul Roth, Lawrence Levin, Joe Leeb, Philip Goldwater, Edwin Leeb, Alfred Goldwater, Grover Jacoby, Ivan Kahn, H. Kingsbaker, Leo Hirschfeld.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.
Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Churchill gave an informal dinner Sunday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Con Kohrs of Montana. The other guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross Clark and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cox. The decorations were apple blossoms and wisteria.

Mrs. F. J. Cressey of No. 548 South Alvarado street is entertaining her parents, Capt. and Mrs. E. B. Alderman of Corona.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Briggs have issued invitations for a large card party at the Ritz Hotel (on South Grand avenue) on Monday evening.

Mrs. A. T. Radcliff of Watsonville, and Mrs. R. L. Craig, are visiting their sister, Mrs. R. L. Craig, at No. 1089 West Seventh street. They are at home on Fridays.

Dr. W. V. Coffin, formerly assistant superintendent of the Whittier State School, will leave next Monday for Richmond, Ind., where he will be married on the 28th inst. to Miss Nicholson, a member of a well-known Quaker family of Indiana. They will return to Los Angeles in about a month.

and Mrs. J. C. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich, Misses Alexander, Blakeley, Sanford, the Misses Blakeley, Sanford and Moffatt.

Climate and Crop Bulletin.

The weather during the past week was very warm and dry, the temperature ranging considerably in excess of the normal, the first occurrence of this kind in the past two months, accompanied by frequent drying land winds. These conditions, high temperature and dry air, rapidly took up the surface moisture and caused the top soil to crust badly. The dry weather has made orchard cultivation necessary, and in some cases irrigation has already begun. Rain is needed for vegetation generally and for grain, particularly on high lands. The warm weather was beneficial for fruit trees, which are reported to be blossoming freely.

San Luis Obispo county—San Luis Obispo: A "norther" on the 7th dried up the surface of the ground, but no injury to grain is reported; highest temperature 82 deg., lowest 41 deg.

Ventura county—West Salcoy: The very warm weather of the week dried out the ground considerably, and rain is needed; the weather was beneficial to grain and fruit trees, which are blossoming freely.

Los Angeles county—Los Angeles city: The weather was very warm and dry, the highest temperature being 90 deg., and the lowest 47 deg.; there was a daily excess of temperature, except on the 6th, and a deficiency in rainfall; the highest temperature was 82 deg., lowest 41 deg.

San Bernardino county—Chino: Hay has begun, as barley has arrived at maturity, and some large crops are being cut. North of Chino: The highest temperature was 83 deg., lowest 46 deg., and sunshine averaged 100 per cent.

Riverside county—Elsinore: Dry north winds of the past week have been very hurtful to the grain and hay crops; in fact, all vegetation is showing the need of rain very much. Highest temperature 86 deg., lowest 37 deg.

Orange county—Santa Ana: The weather during the past week was unusually warm, rain is needed to insure a fair yield of barley; deciduous fruits promise an excellent crop; highest temperature 87 deg., lowest 52 deg. Capistrano: The highest temperature during the week was 86 deg. and the lowest 54 deg.

San Diego county—San Diego city: The temperature during the past week was deficient during the first few days, and very much in excess the last half; the normal for the week was 59 deg., and the mean 61 deg., showing an excess of 3 deg.; the highest temperature was 88 deg., which is the highest recorded since last summer; no rain fell, and owing to the extremely dry weather which has already drawn considerable moisture from the soil, rain and cooler weather is needed; so far as can be learned, no damage has resulted from the abnormally high temperature.

Valley Center: A first-class crop of apricots is expected, as the late frosts did no injury.

Humane Society.

The regular monthly meeting of the Humane Society was held yesterday afternoon. The humane officer's report was read and the ordinary business of the society discussed. The annual meeting will be held on the second Tuesday in May.

Extensive Land Transaction.

KANSAS CITY (Mo.), April 13.—A deed was placed on file in Kansas City, Kan., today, conveying to William J. Isaac of this city nearly one-half of the city of Argentine, a manufacturing suburb. The deed is made by the heirs of the children of Nancy Whitefeather, a Shawnee Indian, who died many years ago and who was the patentee of the land. Over \$1,000,000 worth of property is involved. The deed was recently approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

TUESDAY, April 13, 1897.
(Figures in parentheses, unless otherwise stated, give volume and page of miscellaneous records containing recorded maps.)
Woodward, part of lot 5, J. Marion Brooks's subdivision of the Palmdale tract, \$150.
George Cummings et ux to A. B. Judkins, lots D and E, block H, G. Cummings's subdivision (9-11), \$1025.
Same to Irvie Ayers, lots 6, 7 and 8, and part of lot 5, Cannery tract, \$2800.
J. F. Jones et ux to C. W. Wynn, part of lot 2, Wynn's subdivision in the Rancho San Rafael, \$400.
Nancy Smith et con to Maria Chapman, lot 7, block A, San Pasqual tract, Pasadena, \$850.
D. M. True to G. H. Bonbrake, lots 13, 14 and 15, block 47, lots 13, 14 and 15, block 41, lots 13, 14 and 15, block 87 (12-93), \$450.
O. H. Kiefer, trustee, to E. J. Landley, lot 10, block 21, Angeles Heights, \$300.
Mathias Hindinger to Herman Schaefer, 160 acres in sec. 24, T. 8, S. 14, W. 400.
N. S. Hartman et ux to D. Osborne et ux, lot 6, block 48, Highland Park tract, \$400.
Jacob Hill to First National Bank of Pasadena, lot 33, block A, Lowell tract (54-17), \$541.
Matthew Pickles to David Powell, lots 17 and 18, block 90, Long Beach, \$500.
W. A. Hill et ux to G. C. Horton, lot 72, L. H. Minkner's addition in Pasadena, \$800.
G. W. Tubbs et ux to Mary B. Fraser, part of lots 16 and 18 and all of lot 17, A. C. Shafter's subdivision in the Damon & Millard tract, \$130.
H. O. Ross et ux to Charles B. Shattuck, lot 7 of the Alexander tract, \$1075.
J. Ayres et ux to H. M. Sale, lot 12, block C, Rivera & Vignolo tract, \$16,000.
H. V. Ott to H. M. Ott, part of lot 12, Solano tract, \$250.
E. B. Hoover et ux to J. B. Livengood et ux, part of lots 18 and 20, block O, Aliso tract, \$1200.
E. F. Henderson et ux to Sarah A. Reed, part of lots 25, 26 and 27, block 11, Long Beach, \$1100.
Peter Fleming et ux to E. J. Fleming, lot 6, block A, Frey, French & Rhorer's subdivision in the Burbank tract, Pomona, \$400.

SUMMARY.

Deeds 67
Mortgages 10
Total \$30,761.00

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Please bear in mind that if you propose to purchase a piano at our closing-out sale of this fine stock of Steinway, Kimball, Weber, and other pianos, now going on at No. 223 South Spring street, next door to Los Angeles Theater, you will have to attend to the matter without delay.
Only eight days more and the doors will close on the greatest and fairest piano sale ever seen in this or any other city. No one purchasing an instrument during this sale will ever have cause to regret it. Every piano sold, no matter what the price, shall prove exactly as represented, and if we have to turn the store upside down to correct it. We are proud of the good reputation of the Bartlett Music House, proud of the good reputation of the line of high-grade pianos we represent, and no instrument sold here during this sale as such shall prove other than strictly first-class. Bartlett Bros.

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Notice of Removal

Dr. Wong Him, the Imperial Chinese physician, begs to announce to his numerous friends and patients that he has removed to larger and more modern quarters, at No. 531 S. Hope street, between Eighth and Ninth streets, where he hopes to merit the favor of his patrons. Take Traction Grand avenue or Washington street cars.

TESTIMONIAL.

To the Public: I take this means of expressing my thanks to Dr. Wong Him of 639 Tupper Main street for having cured me of kidney and stomach trouble which caused me great prostration. I was unable to get a good night's sleep for about three years, and acting under the advice of the best doctors of Chicago, I came here to get well on the climate, but kept getting gradually worse until I was told to try Dr. Wong Him, and by the aid of his wonderful medicine I feel like I can say that in three months time I am a new woman and feel stronger than I ever did. Any person wishing me to certify this can find me.
115 North Marengo avenue, Pasadena.
MISS KLEMM.

Swift's Specific

will prove the best system-builder to be found. It will purify the blood, give tone to the stomach, renew the appetite, and add strength and vigor to the entire body. Being purely vegetable it is the best tonic on the market, as it is the only blood remedy guaranteed to contain no arsenic, potash, mercury or other mineral ingredient. Everybody knows how injurious these drugs are to the digestive organs. Insist on S. S. S.

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BUY
A Lot in the celebrated
Alexandre
Well Tract.
On Central Avenue Electric Car Line, between 4th and 14th st. Nothing better for speculation or investment.
Richard Altschul,
408 South Broadway, Sole Agent.

Electric Belts

Are good things if properly made; but there is no sense in paying a high price for a poor article simply because some advertisement "quacks" demands it. Buy no belt till you see Dr. Pierce's "Belt" or address DR. PIERCE & SON, 704 Sacramento st. San Francisco, Cal.
corner Kearney, San Francisco, Cal.
Branch Office, 640 Market St., S. F.

Good Groceries

Cut Rates.
Prompt delivery and just what you want. Ring up phone 529.
CLINE BROS. CASH GROCERS.
142-144 N. Spring St.

The Hub's Unparalleled Easter Offering...

To start the Spring season of 1897 off with a rush The Hub makes Two Unprecedented Offers for an Easter Sale,

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday.

Three Hundred and Fifty
Men's Spring Suits,

Values of \$10, \$12 and \$15, which we will give you the unlimited choice of for

\$7.50

They come in handsome shades of Wood Brown Cheviots, Striped Cassimeres, English Plaids, Blue and Black Serges, a few genuine Scotch Tweeds. The fabrics are chaste, rich and wear-resisting, and we absolutely and without reservation guarantee the prices to be from 25 to 33 per cent lower than suits of equal style and merit can be bought for in any competing house in Los Angeles. For Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday only.

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Three Hundred
Men's Spring Suits,

Values of \$17.50, \$20 and \$22.50, 12 styles, of which we will give you the choice for

\$15.00

These Suits are of elegant Imported Fabrics, Scotch effects, Overplaids in Brown and Tan, Broken Checks; also the finest Imported Clay Diagonal Suits for Easter wear, many novelties in Worsteds and Serges of the better goods.

Our garments are all made by us, therefore we know they're right. For Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday only.

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THE HUB
154, 156, 158, 160 NORTH SPRING STREET LOS ANGELES, CAL.

San Francisco Suits Otis Skinner.



A BRACING MORNING—NOT TOO EARLY—
a good pair of trotters, a little chat, then I heard California praised—praised as you read in picture books—praised by the author, the picturesque, romantic actor, Otis Skinner.

Just entering the half-way house, between thirty and forty, Mr. Skinner has won fame and fortune singularly. Yet he takes it calmly—no struts, no sniffs of nose, no affectation. He is American, glad he is, and deports himself as he is. Said he, falling into the easy conversation way: "Our climate in California cannot be excelled the world over. We have the best fruit, the best flowers, the best wine, which is constantly getting a bigger reputation. By the way, I want to tell you that I am interested in the success of this California remedy called Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla. I am of the opinion that it is a good way to advertise the State as a 'health resort.'"

"Now, I have heard many people speak of Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla, and from my own experience firmly believe it is a fine spring remedy. It seems to be especially efficacious in acute dyspepsia. Perhaps it would not be a bad idea to advertise this California Sarsaparilla all over the world. People nowadays are getting to use these different remedies. The best families buy them and use them. Now, if Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla was known all over the world people would naturally speak more about California—especially about its climate and its products. I should really like to see the State of California the Mecca for people seeking a fine, sunny climate in winter. The natural springs and parks of California are sufficient to give it prestige in the world."

This was really very charming of Mr. Skinner, and he said it in such a natural way one could not help but be convinced of his sincerity. He did not mine his words. He spoke of Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla because he happened to use the remedy and could vouch for it. He spoke of California as a native, yet he is a New England boy.

Mr. Skinner is to-day the leading young American actor, and in his special field of romantic and Shakespearean roles, bids fair to be the leading star in the world. He is a college-bred man, which goes to show that college men get there just as other men do—if they have the insurance and ability.

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Prescriptions carefully compounded day or night.

CITY BRIEFS.

It carries weight with reasonable people when they see Desmond's method of doing business. What is it? Simply this: Do right; treat the people right; make the prices right. Act on the idea of finding what you're looking for at Desmond's, No. 141 South Spring street, in the Bryson Block. Straw hats this week from 35 cents to \$5.

If you have a photograph that you want enlarged three-quarters life size and elegantly framed without its costing a penny, all you need do is to become a subscriber to the Los Angeles Times and pay one year in advance for the same.

Instruction in art needlework free to those purchasing materials during our opening, which will take place Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 15th, 16th and 17th. The M. K. No. 342 South Broadway.

There are undelivered telegrams at the Western Union Telegraph Office for Ed. Pond, J. S. Drake, F. D. Decker, Louis Pettit, Mr. A. A. Heinemann, Mrs. Lizzie Ballard, Ahmeyer and T. J. Haloway.

Gross, the private detective, was not injured in his altercation with Mat Sullivan. He says he struck Sullivan with a cane and was not struck in return.

Register names at St. George Stable, 510 S. Broadway, for rally 24 to Pasadena, Easter Sunday, Old Mission.

One thing sure, Mrs. C. Dosch, No. 213 South Spring street, has the prettiest and best values in millinery.

All the latest fads in ladies' straw sailors now on sale at Desmond's, No. 141 South Spring street.

Elegant cabinet photos reduced to \$1 and \$1.75 per dozen. Sunbeam, No. 238 South Main.

Dr. John C. McCoy, dentist, late of Orange, is now No. 1919 Grand avenue. Van Storage Co., Tel. Main 1140.

The Volunteers of America will hold special services in the Nazarene Church on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The regular monthly meeting of the Southern California Academy of Sciences was held last night at No. 339 1/2 South Broadway.

The April meeting of the Engineers' and Architects' Association of Southern California will be held this evening in the association hall, 243 Wilcox building. The paper will be by James W. Warren, on "The Interior Wiring of Buildings for Electric Incandescent Lights."

BOULEVARD MEETING.

San Fernando Valley Favors the Eagle Rock Route.

The residents of Glendale, Tropic, Verdugo and Burbank turned out en masse Monday evening at a meeting in the G.A.R. Hall at Glendale to discuss the route of the proposed boulevard from Los Angeles to Pasadena.

After a general discussion between the participants in by Messrs. Farr, Taylor, Good, Parker, Hickson and Glassell, Mr. Burch offered the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously:

"Resolved, that we, representing the residents of Glendale, Tropic, Verdugo and Burbank, most heartily endorse the Eagle Rock route for a boulevard from Los Angeles to Pasadena."

Mr. Burch declared that the people of those districts were tired of driving to the city on a road lined with slaughterhouses and fertilizer works, and if the Eagle Rock route were adopted, the people would widen the streets to the east and south and approach the city by way of Griffith and Elysian parks. He stated that this route was admittedly the most picturesque and most available to the greatest number of people. On behalf of Glendale and Tropic he pledged the heartiest cooperation on the part of the entire population in the construction of the Eagle Rock route. Representative from other parts of the valley echoed the same sentiments.

DR. COFFIN DESIGNS.

Ex-Councilman Pessell Appointed Assistant Superintendent.

Latest advices from Whittier announce the appointment of ex-Councilman George D. Pessell to the position of assistant superintendent of Whittier State School, made vacant by the resignation of Dr. W. V. Coffin. Dr. Coffin handed in his resignation several days ago, and will start next Monday for Richmond, Ind. This closes the Coffin administration, which has been so largely instrumental in raising the school to its present position. Dr. Coffin has lent efficient aid at all times to his brother, the late superintendent, and has for years been closely identified with the management of the State school.

Mr. Pessell, his successor, is a well-known Democratic politician. He was Mr. Grider's predecessor as Councilman from the Sixth Ward, and was candidate for Supervisor against Mr. Wirsching, the present representative of the Third Supervisor District.

A UNIQUE ART EXHIBIT.

Never in the annals of rug sales was such a collection of so many fine rugs as the one exhibited by M. B. Milbran at No. 213 South Broadway. It is a perfect success, attracting a crowd of art-lovers.

The original designs, the extra luster, fine texture and most beautiful colors were the admirable features of Milbran's rugs.

After inspecting these goods no one could help to see the great difference between home-made and cheap trade-made rugs, the latter have so much flooded into this market by so-called health or rather fortune seekers.

The rugs made for private home use are made of select hair from the best animals and are fast. They improve in time and attain a rich luster, while rugs made for the trade are made of the refuse wool and are very poor make, never improve, colors run and soon get shabby.

Mr. Milbran is a very shrewd and well-posted buyer, takes great care to buy nothing but choice, private home-made rugs. His collection is always safe from spurious goods.

Today his long-talked auction sale opens at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. when a number of these much-admired fine rugs will be offered with one of the Shah's silk rugs, the wonder of art. The sale will continue every day this week at the above-mentioned hours.

At this sale the public will get the right article and not old chestnuts kept in the basement of a store and brought out occasionally as consignment without any owner's name to fool the public. Reliable people are not ashamed of their names and of their goods.

MOST EXTRAORDINARY.

All subscribers to The Times, whether old or new, who pay in advance \$3 for one year may have a photograph enlarged to three-fourths life size, and handsomely framed, without costing them a cent for the picture or frame.

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Sole agents for Bain wagons, Pirelli buggies, Eureka and Columbia surreys, Deal quick-business wagons, genuine Adrians, Platt Buckeye mowers, Knowlton mowers, Buffalo-Pitts, Tiger and Granger steel rakes, bolters, engines, separators, creamery supplies, etc. All guaranteed goods. Get our prices before purchasing elsewhere, and save money. Repairs for harvesting machinery a specialty. Nos. 134-36 North Los Angeles st.

ASK your grocer for Miller's Pepsin Cocoa. Indigestion cured with Miller's Pepsin Cocoa.

JOE CLOSSEN IS FREE.

KILLS A MAN IN THE MORNING AND LIBERATED IN THE AFTERNOON.

Remarkably Quick Legal Action in the Case of the Slayer of James Holmes at the Broadway Hamman Baths.

At 2:10 o'clock yesterday morning Joseph Clossen shot and killed James Holmes, in the very heart of the city. At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, just twelve hours and fifty minutes after the killing, Clossen walked out of the Police Station a free man. The homicide, when booked at the City Prison, five minutes after firing the fatal shots, had in his possession cash and checks amounting to a little less than \$200. When he was released from custody yesterday this money was handed back to him, and he put it in his pocket and walked away. San Francisco papers please copy.

That Clossen had been entirely justified in taking extreme measures to defend his life against his vicious assailant was apparent from the facts obtainable immediately following the killing. This was emphasized at the Coroner's inquest yesterday afternoon.

When it was shown by a number of witnesses that Holmes, Clossen's victim, had been the aggressor throughout the original trouble, as well as at the fatal meeting at the bath house. It was further made plain by the testimony of the Coroner's every witness examined by the Coroner that though Holmes had threatened to kill Clossen on sight, the latter had sought to avoid trouble by running away, first from the scene of the disturbance on the way home from the party, and again from the infuriated black demon, who pursued him to his bath house with intent to carry out his murderous threats.

From the beginning to the end of the trouble, Clossen was armed, and could have killed Holmes at any time. He refrained from firing, however, until his life was in imminent peril. The Coroner's jury found that the killing had been entirely justifiable, and exonerated Clossen from all blame. Five minutes later, in the absence of any charge against the prisoner, the police released him from custody.

The speed with which justice was administered in this case is unprecedented in local criminal annals.

Met on the Same Track.

SAN ANTONIO (Tex.), April 13.—Two extra fast freight trains on the Southern Pacific Railway collided near Langtry, 120 miles from here, this forenoon. Fireman A. S. Welch was killed and other trainmen injured.

DEATH RECORD.

HOLMES—In this city, James A. Holmes, a native of Tennessee, aged 45 years.

Funeral from Methodist Episcopal Church, corner Sixth and Maple avenue, Thursday, April 15, at 2 p.m. Interment, Rosedale Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

L.O.O.F. FUNERAL NOTICE.

OTT—In this city, April 13, 1897, Leona B. Ott, aged 24 years.

Member of Hesperian Rebekah Lodge, No. 70, Los Gatos, Cal.

Funeral Thursday at 2 p.m., from No. 408 West Second street. All Rebekahs invited to attend.

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Phil S. Thompson, a native of Vermont, and a resident of Los Angeles, aged 29, and Ida Menefee, a native of Missouri, and a resident of Corina, aged 26.

Harry N. Williams, aged 27, and Lena A. Judson, aged 22, both natives of Ohio, and residents of Conneaut, O.

William Lewis Slaughter, a resident of South Pasadena, aged 29, and Pearl Home Tompkins, a resident of Los Angeles, aged 21, both natives of California.

Levi Hoesfeldt, a native of Pennsylvania, aged 25, and Agatha S. Frowles, a native of Illinois, aged 21, both residents of Los Angeles.

Walter G. Houston, a native of Missouri, aged 24, and Agatha S. Frowles, a native of California, aged 18, both residents of Los Angeles.

Ulysses E. White, a native of Indiana, aged 20, and Hattie H. Dexter, a native of Iowa, aged 22, both residents of Pomona.

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MORNING light and morning freshness of the stocks makes it the most enjoyable time of the day to do the Easter shopping.

More air, more light, more display room to show the goods in the new Cloak room upstairs. The cozy Hairdressing Parlors are hard by. Take elevator.

A score or more new creations in Easter Hats will be on sale in the busiest millinery place in town this morning at 9:30.

Twenty-five salespeople and helpers added to our force yesterday—better service today.

Cloak Dept. Many new and elegant garments, and at prices less than the materials would cost, to say nothing of the making. Second floor; take elevator.

Waists of every conceivable style and coloring, light, dark and medium, in all materials used for waists; 40 different styles, at..... **\$1.00**

Silk Capes of very handsome velvet in our exquisite mixed pattern, silk lined, pretty plaited neck, puff and Moore ribbon bows at throat; \$8.00 would be fair value, but we have..... **\$6.50**

Skirts of excellent Sicilian Mohair, in blue and black and English tweeds in pretty color mixtures, latest cut and well lined; regular \$6 and \$8.00 values, at..... **\$5.00**

Misses' Lilliputian Suits in linen-colored duck with white inlaid duck collar, underwaist embroidered with white anchor, Tam O'Shanter to match; \$3.50 suits, at..... **\$2.50**

Skirts of splendid quality of English serge in navy blue coats, are half lined and cut one-button cutaway style with coat back; tailor made and skirts latest cut. They're marked \$2.50, but today we say..... **\$5.00**

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